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BETWEEN TWO INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICES

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In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2004, please amend the subject patent application as follows:

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